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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the application as follows:

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Please replace the first paragraph beginning at page 1, following the title, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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This application is a divisional application of U.S. application Serial Number 09/410,372 filed on September 30, 1999, which is a divisional application of U.S. application Serial Number 08/985,335 filed on December 4, 1997, issued on June 27, 2000, as U.S. Patent Number 6,080,847, entitled PROTEINS ASSOCIATED WITH CELL PROLIFERATION, the contents all of which are hereby incorporated by reference.